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CLICK!  
CLICK!

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• "BLACK DIAMOND MEETS  
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## A collage of various comic book covers from the mid-20th century, including titles like 'Supermouse', 'Startling Comics', 'Jetta', 'Mystery Comics', 'Fantastic Tales', 'Cosmo Cat', 'Strange Worlds', 'Exciting Comics', 'Daring Adventures', 'Casper Cat', 'Eerie', 'Exciting Comics', 'Barnyard Comics', 'Famous Funnies', 'Hill Country', 'Teen-Age Sweetheart', 'Jetta', 'Science', 'Quick Lunch', 'Snake Eyes', 'Miss Masque', 'Eerie', 'Exciting Comics', 'Casper Cat', and 'Daring Adventures'. A large, stylized speech bubble in the center contains the text 'WEB COMIC UNIVERSE.COM'.





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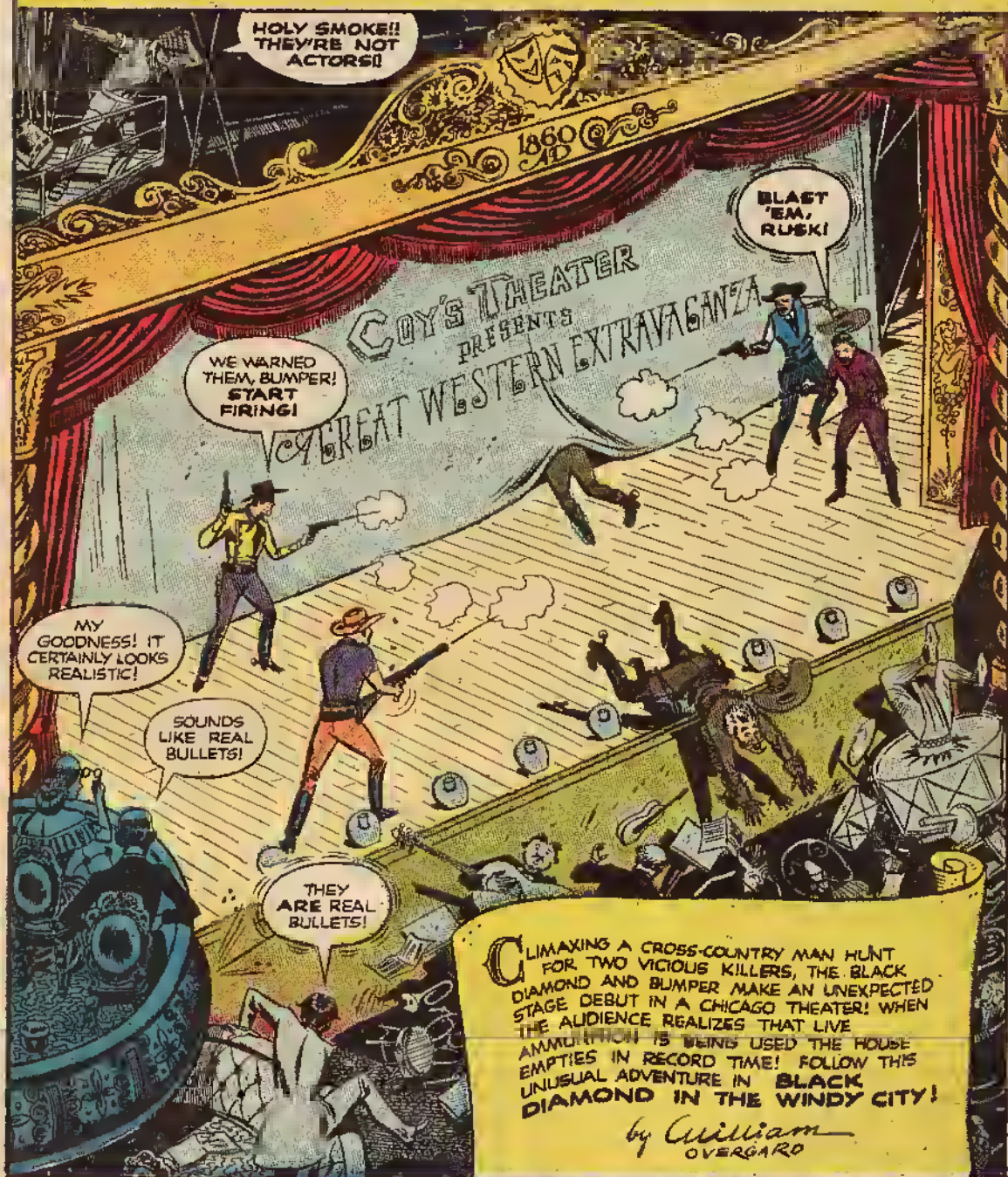
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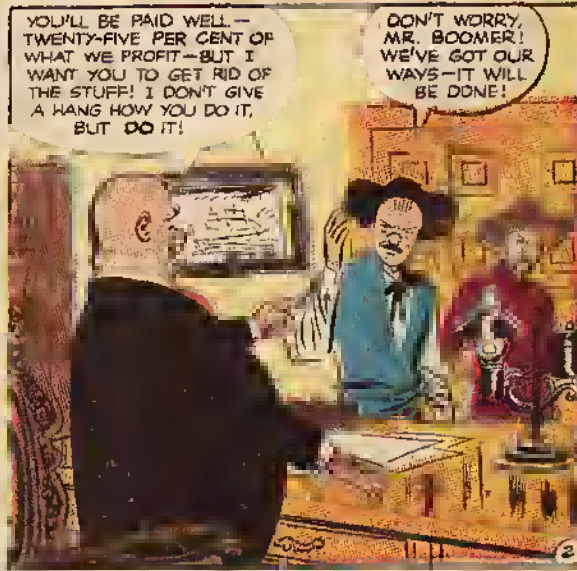
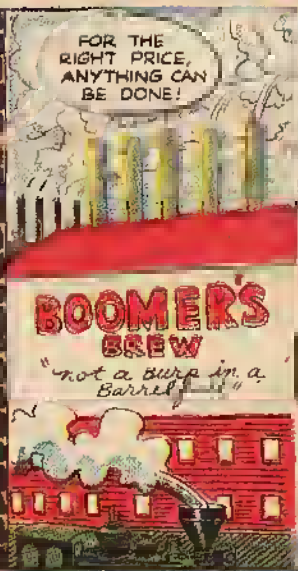
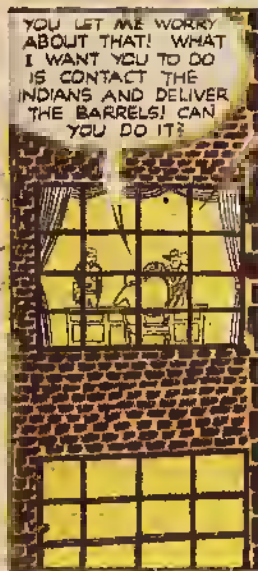
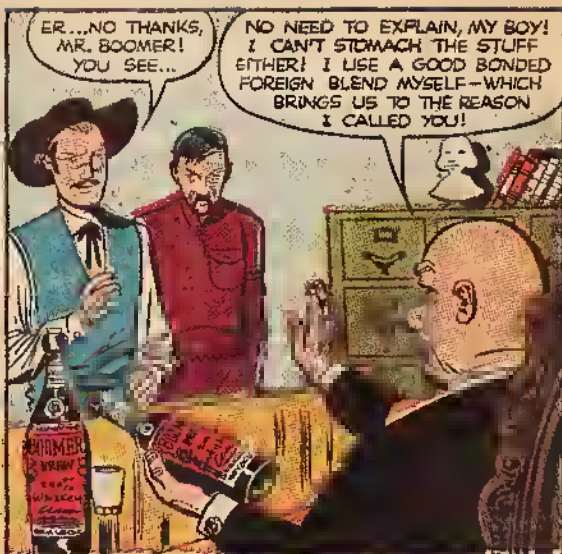
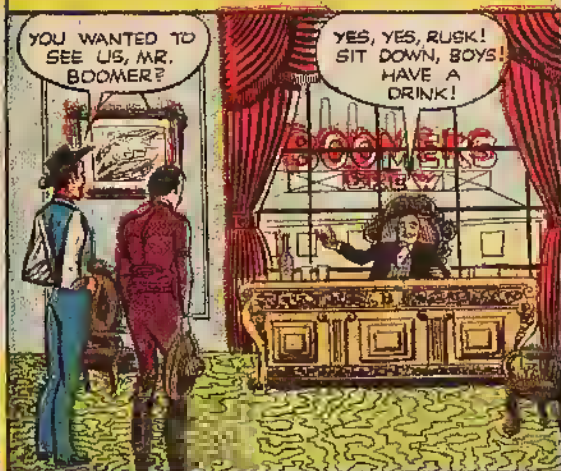
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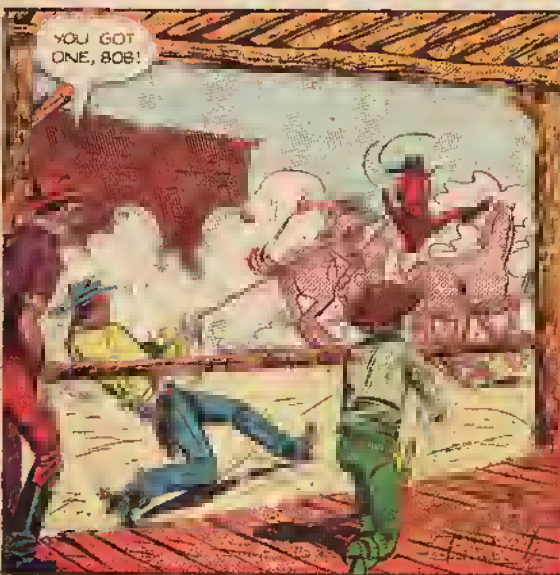
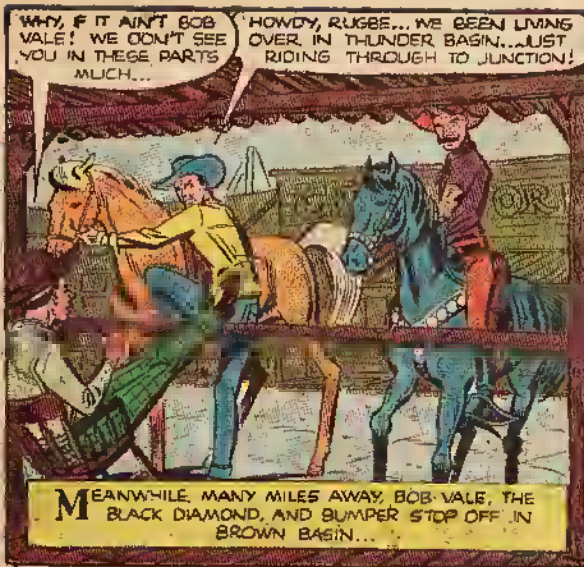
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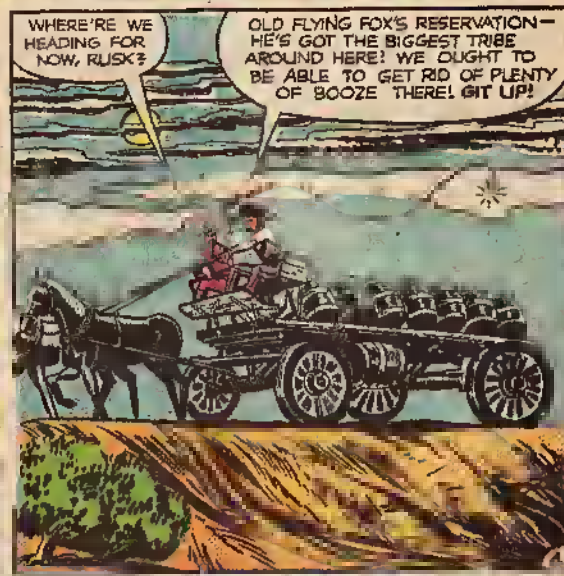
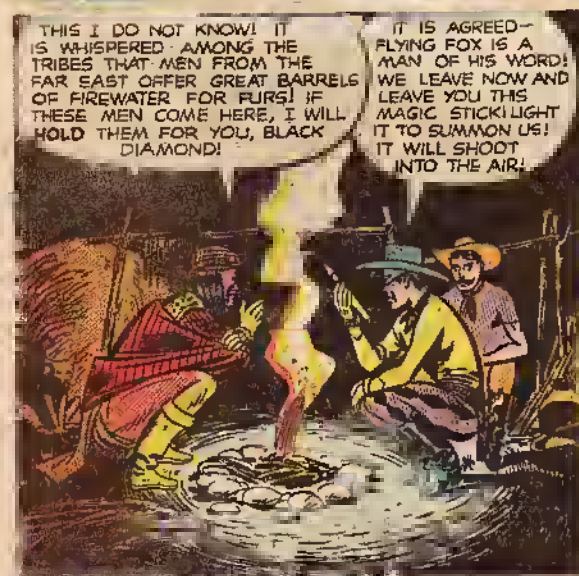
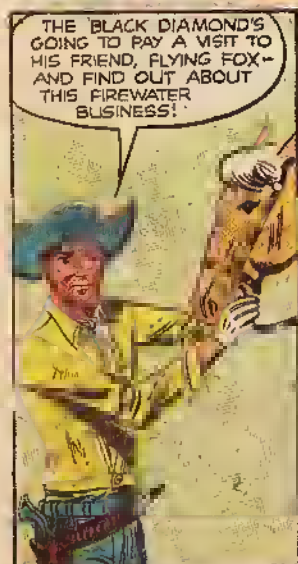
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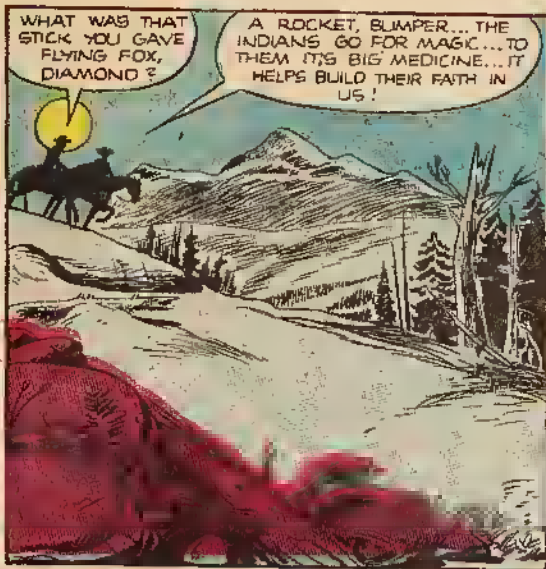




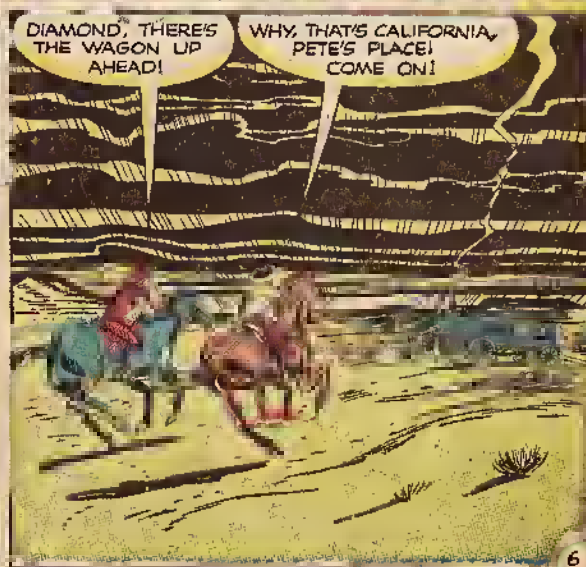
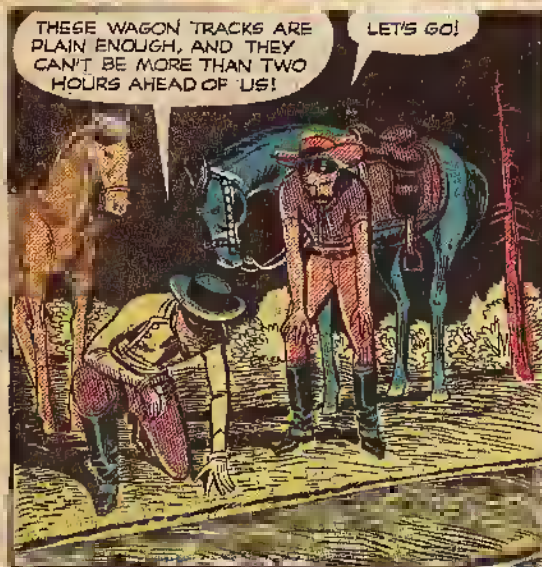
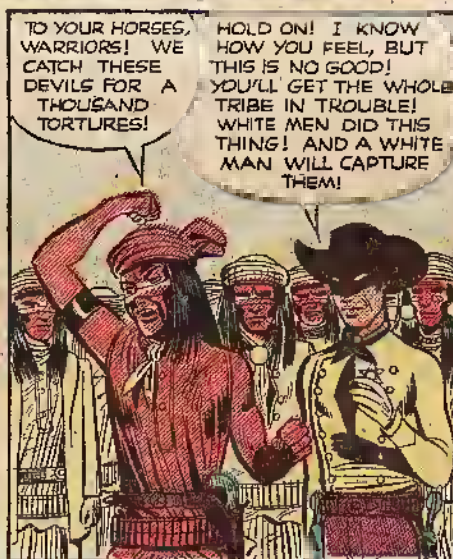




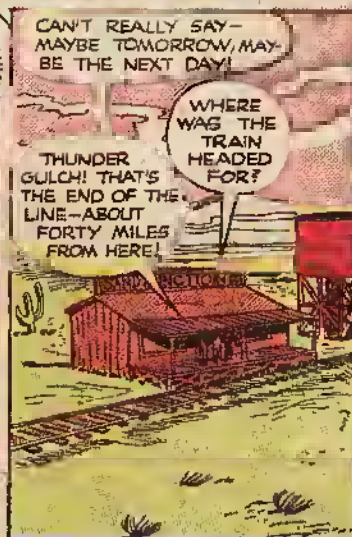
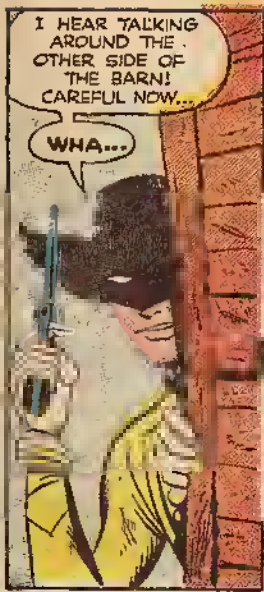




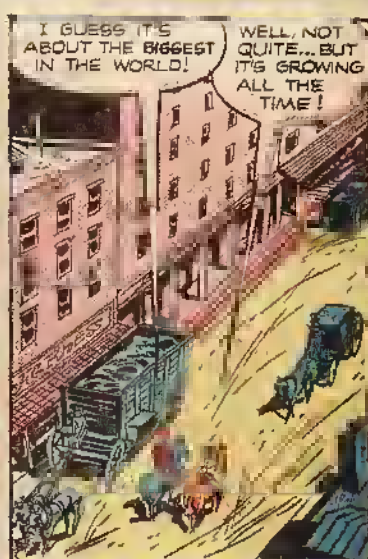
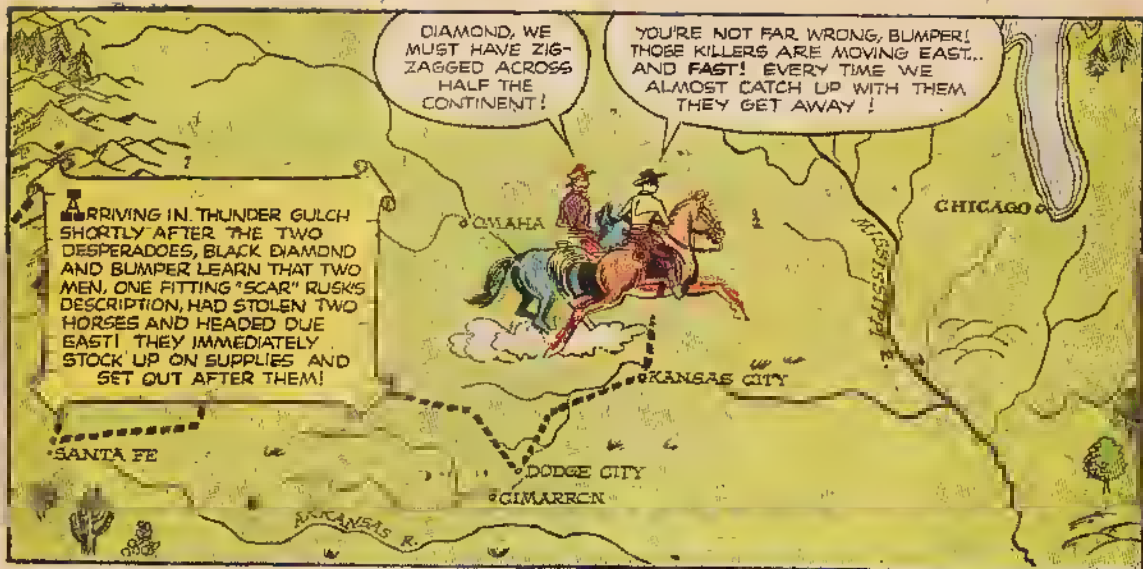




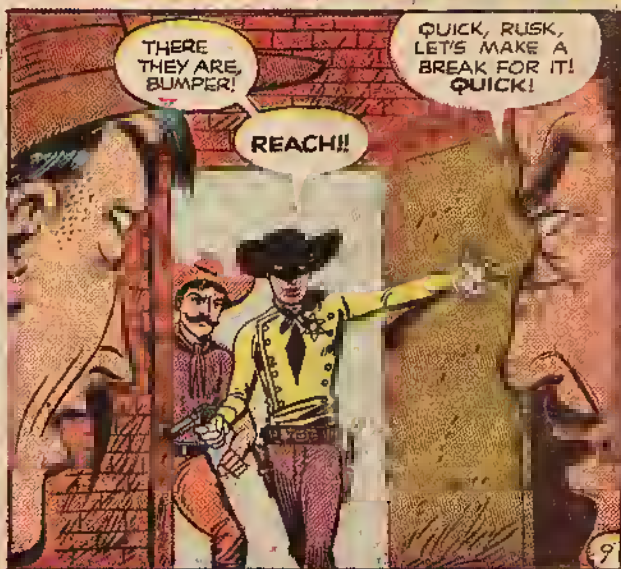
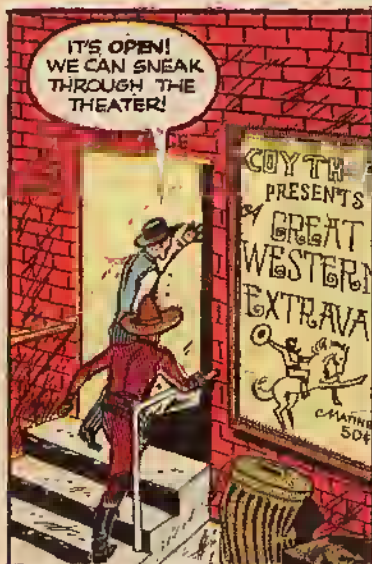




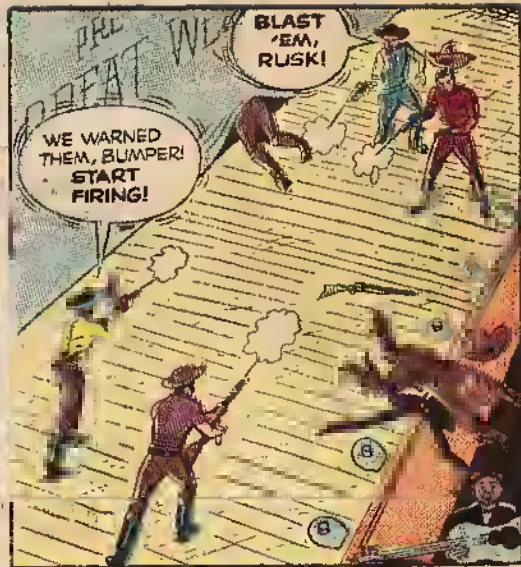




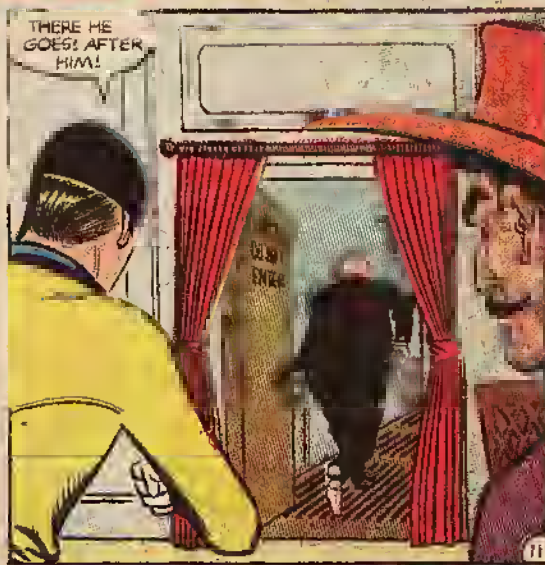
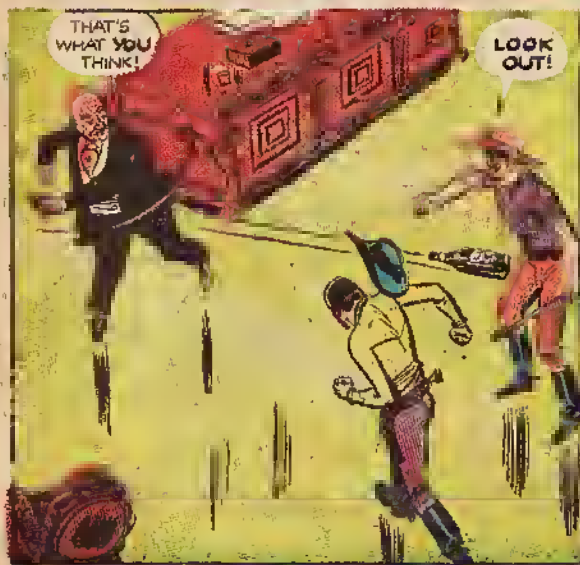
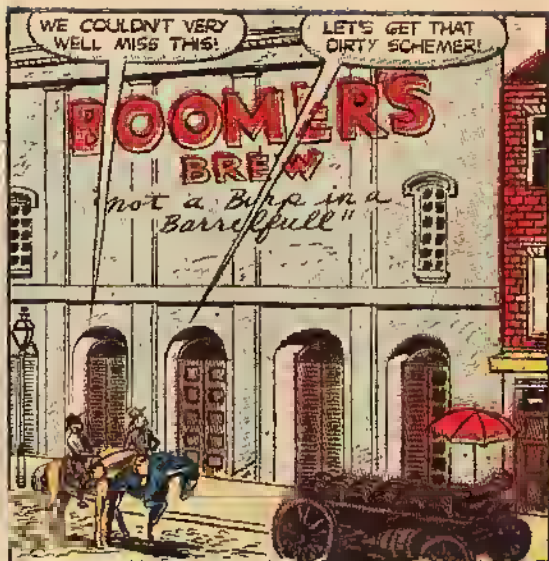




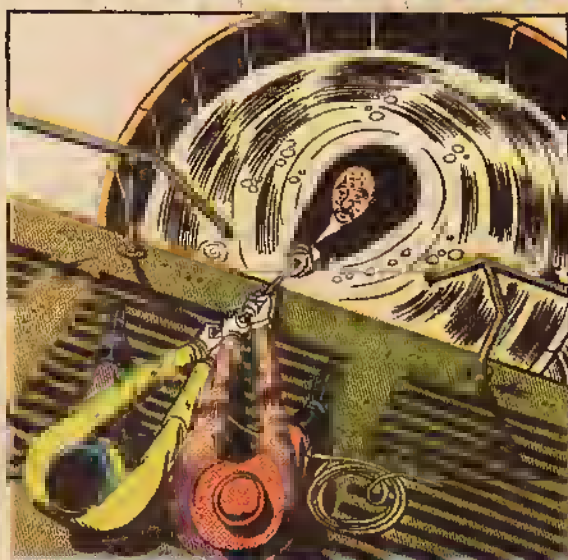
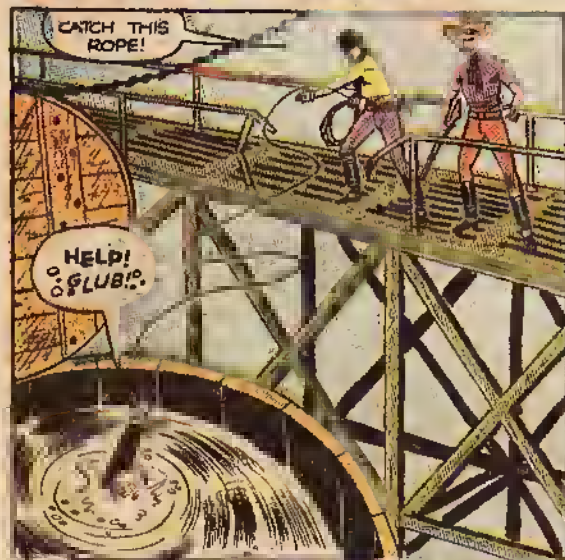






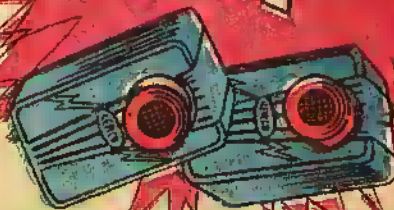








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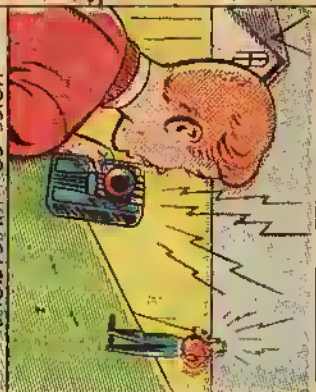
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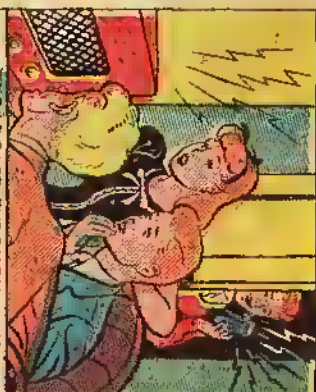
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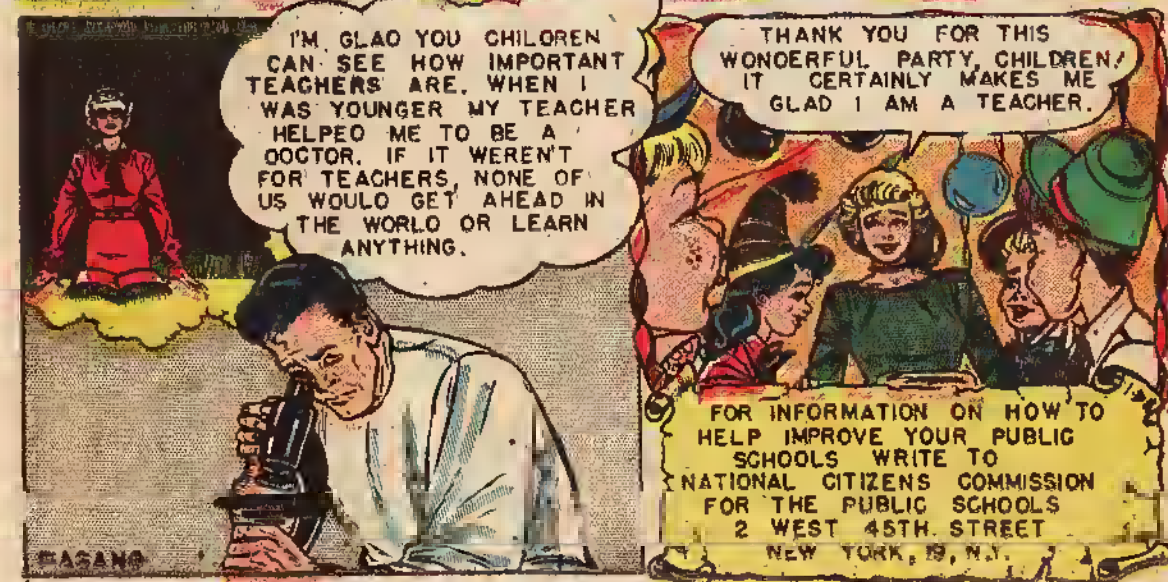
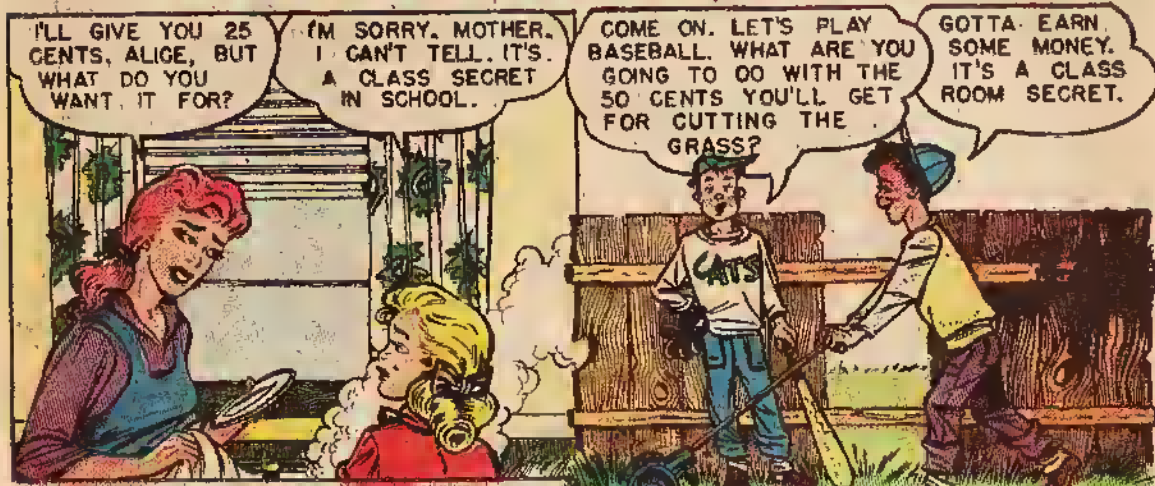
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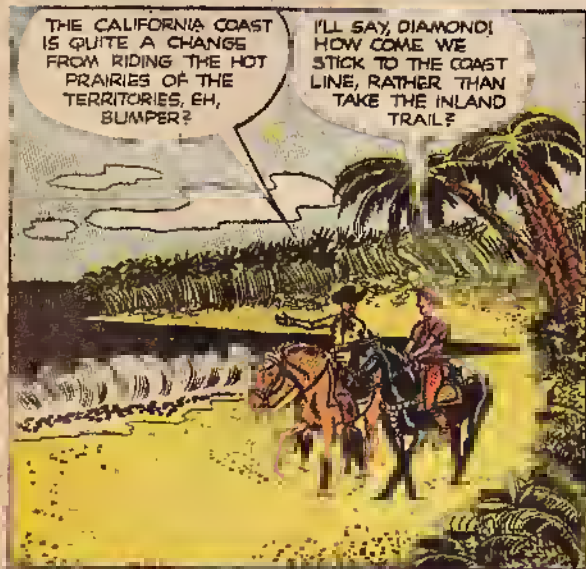
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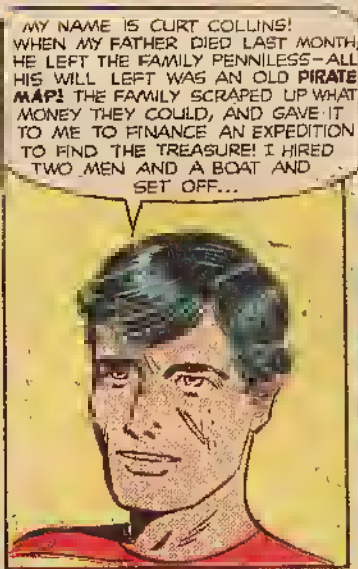
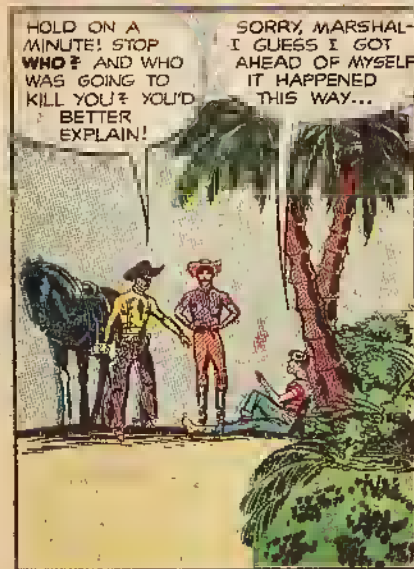


# BLACK DIAMOND

## AND THE STRANGE SAGA OF THE PIRATE TREASURE











SO YOU SEE, DIAMOND, I'VE GOT TO CATCH UP WITH THEM! I KNOW THE MAP BY HEART! WE CAN BEAT THEM TO THE SPOT! PLEASE HELP ME!

WELL...I DON'T SEE WHY WE COULDN'T! WE'RE GOING THAT WAY, ANYHOW, BUT DO YOU THINK WE CAN CATCH UP WITH THEM?



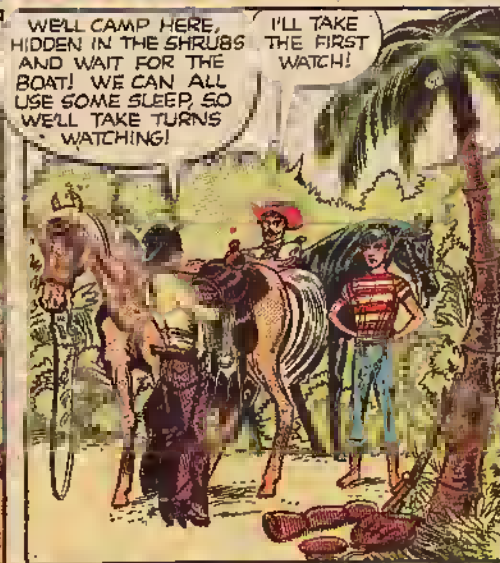
OF COURSE! IT'S ALMOST A DEAD CALM TODAY—THEY WON'T MAKE ANY TIME!

WELL, THEN, LET'S GET STARTED, CURT! HOP ON BEHIND ME!



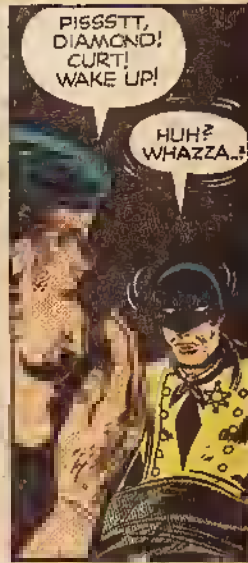
IT'S BEEN QUITE A WHILE! ARE WE JUST ABOUT THERE?

WE'RE THERE! THAT BIG ROCK AND TREE ARE TWO OF THE LANDMARKS!



WE'LL CAMP HERE, HIDDEN IN THE SHRUBS AND WAIT FOR THE BOAT! WE CAN ALL USE SOME SLEEP, SO WE'LL TAKE TURNS WATCHING!

I'LL TAKE THE FIRST WATCH!



PISGSTT, DIAMOND! CURT! WAKE UP!

HUH? WHAZZA...!



WHAT'S UP, BUMPER?

LOOK—A BOAT! IS THAT IT, CURT?

YEP! THAT'S IT!



THEY'RE PUTTING ASHORE! WHAT DO WE DO NOW, DIAMOND?

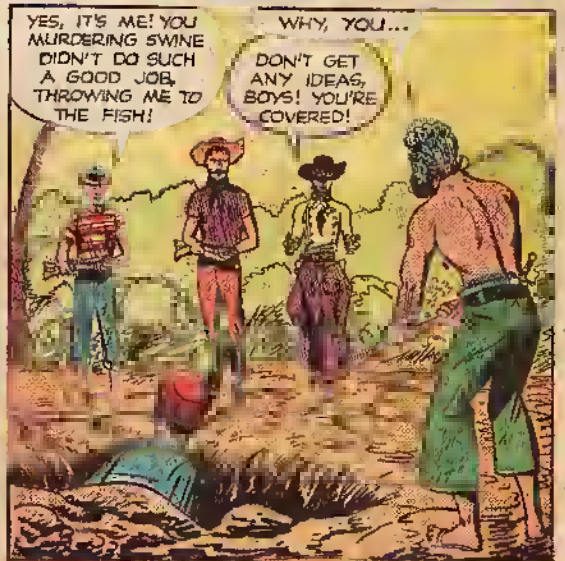
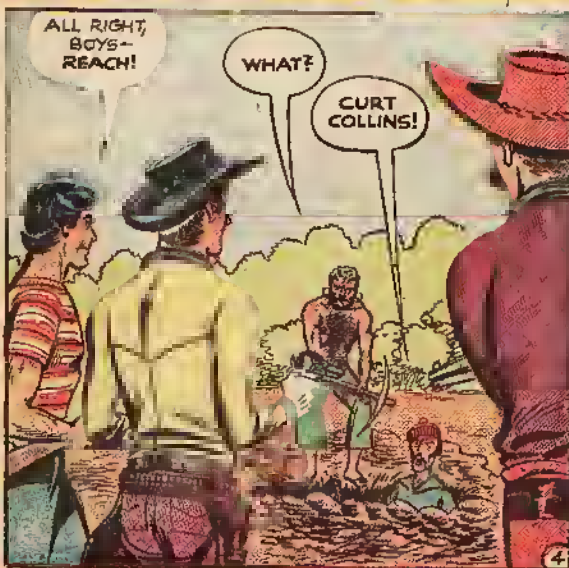
LET'S GET THEM TO DO THE WORK, THEN WE'LL JUMP THEM!

NOW YOU'RE TALKING!

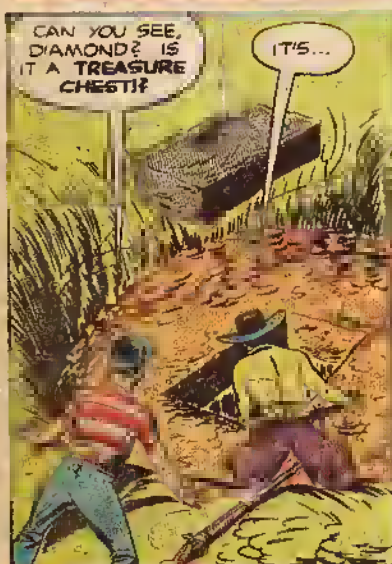
THERE'S THE ROCK, PAT! AFTER STUDYING THAT MAP, THIS SHOULD BE A CINCH!

GOOD! FROM THE WAY THAT KID SPOKE, WE'LL BE FIXED FOR LIFE!

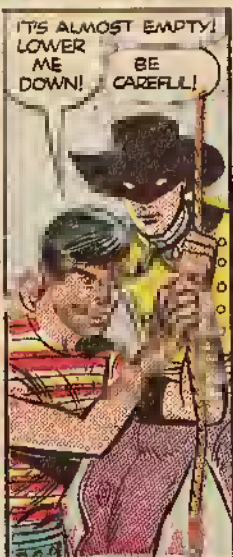
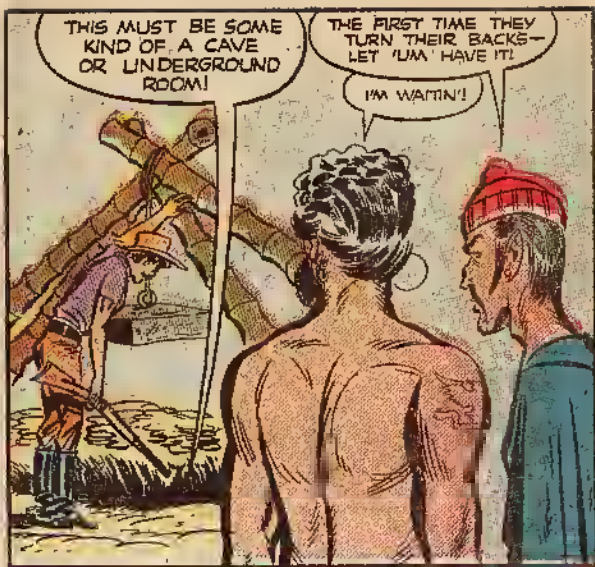




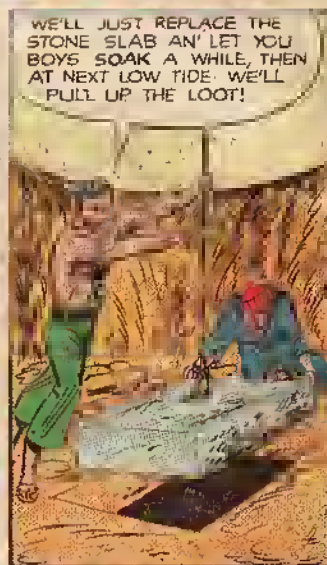
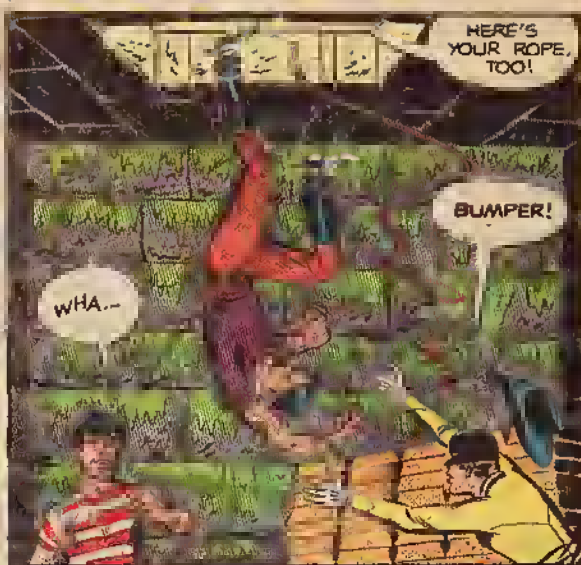




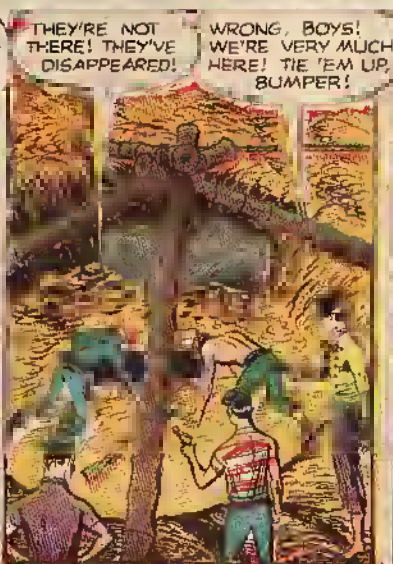
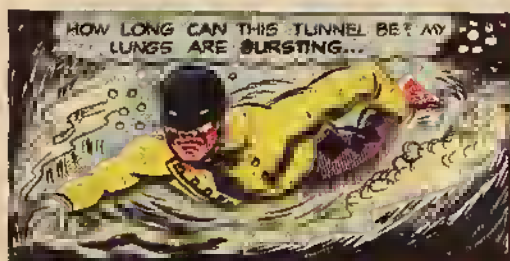
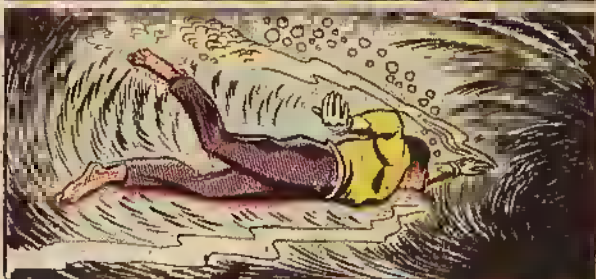














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# THE CARRIZ CATTLE "COME-ON"

SHERIFF DONNELLY lounged on the shabby porch of his office. The lazy sun slowly beat the main street to dust in the southwestern town of Carriz.

"Not much point to having a sheriff in this lazy town," he thought.

Just at that moment a horse galloped down the street, raising a cloud of dust as it whirled to a stop right in front of the porch of the sheriff's office. Jim Wagner, the "dude" from Pittsburgh, jumped off the horse, ran up the steps of the porch and faced the sheriff in a rage.

"Isn't there any law and order in this part of the country? If I get my hands on Jennings he'll never draw another breath—the thief!" Wagner screamed.

"Wait a minute, Wagner," drawled the sheriff. "Sit down, get your breath and tell me what's up."

Wagner threw himself into a chair, leaned toward the sheriff and recounted his tale of woe. "Okay, sheriff, maybe I am an easterner and maybe I am a 'dude,' but that doesn't mean I have to get hooked right away. The thing I don't understand is why you let Jennings get away with anything. Why, to talk to anyone you'd think he was the most respected man in the community—and yet he's the biggest crook I've seen for a long time!"

"That's impossible!" the sheriff queried, "Jennings a crook?"

"That's what they *all* say!" continued Jim Wagner. "No one will believe it, and that's why he gets away with it. He's slick, smooth and no one will think ill of him."

"Well, what did this 'crook' do?" asked the sheriff.

"What did he *do*? He hooked me for several grand in cash, waltzed off with it and I got nothing for it. I paid him cash on the line for a herd of cattle to be delivered the following day. I saw the cattle, I picked them out, then, they never appeared," fumed Jim.

"Jennings did that?" answered the sheriff. "That I can't believe. In the first place I didn't know he even wanted to sell his cattle. He has the finest cattle in this section of the country, and they're worth more to him on the hoof than in cold cash."

"What do you do all day, sheriff—*sleep*?" answered Jim Wagner. "I heard about Jennings' cattle all the way down the line. I heard what fine cattle they were, and I also heard that he wanted to sell and sell *cheap*."

"Maybe you're right," answered the sheriff. "Having just arrived you probably see and hear more than those of us who have been lazing around the town all these years."

At this point in the conversation another horse galloped down the street and came to a quick stop in front of the sheriff's office. A middle-aged greying man jumped off and ran up the steps and confronted the sheriff with:

"Listen, sheriff, cattle just don't vanish! All I did was go off on a fishing trip and when I got back half my cattle were gone."

"Sit down, Jennings, we were just talking about

you. Guess you and Jim Wagner have met," introduced the sheriff.

"Jennings?" questioned Jim. "You're not Jennings, or are you? What is going on here?"

"Jim Wagner," answered Jennings, "No, I don't think we have met. Oh, you're from Pittsburgh, just bought the Wright place."

"Well," mused Sheriff Donnelly, "There's more to this than meets the eye."

The two again told their stories which obviously didn't meet anywhere along the line. Jennings had been gone a week on a fishing trip, leaving his ranch in the hands of his manager. When he returned half of his cattle had disappeared. On the other hand, Wagner had just arrived in town to take possession of the ranch he'd bought from the Wrights. He planned to raise cattle and had heard all the way from Pittsburgh that Jennings had the best cattle and was willing to sell. Jim Wagner had only been in town a few days when he went to negotiate with Jennings, paid him cash and expected delivery of the cattle that morning. But, the cattle had not appeared.

"Well," drawled the sheriff, "this looks obvious. But it probably isn't as obvious as it looks. First we'd better talk to Osborne, your manager, Jennings."

"But, sheriff," answered Jennings, "I've *already* talked to him. He was as shocked as I was. Yesterday, the day of the transaction, he was here in town almost all afternoon."

"That's right," answered the sheriff, "I saw him. In fact, we had a chat for about an hour yesterday afternoon. Who was in charge while Osborne was away?"

"Oh, no one in particular," answered Jennings. "It was too early for the boys to be rounding up the cattle for the night and nothing was doing on the ranch. We've left it many times."

"Well," said Sheriff Donnelly to Wagner, "would you recognize the man with whom you made the deal?"

"I sure would," Jim answered.

"And," asked the sheriff, "who went with you when you made the deal?"

"No one," answered Wagner. "I went over alone."

"That's too bad," mused the sheriff. "Well, we'll solve this one. Why don't you two shake hands and make up. We'll get your cattle back, Jennings, and Wagner, we'll get your cash back."

Days passed and the "obvious" case couldn't seem to be solved. Wagner, at the suggestion of the sheriff, met Osborne, Jennings' manager, just in case he might have been the one who accepted the cash, but he was the wrong man. Word had spread across the border to look for a herd of cattle with Jennings' brand. The sheriff followed each and every clue, then finally, at the end of his rope, he called Wagner in.

"Jim," he said, "I wish I could say the case is solved, but I can't. But, enough time has passed so I think we can set the stage for another episode



just like it. Didn't I hear you say you had a friend coming out from the east before too long?"

"That's right," answered Jim. "Joe Wolf is coming and may be my partner."

"Listen, then," said the sheriff. "Let's tip Joe off to pretend he's bought a ranch out here and have him do a lot of loud talking about it all the way along the line. He'll probably get some information about a good cattle deal, and if his eyes are open before he starts, he can possibly lead us to the rustlers. Jennings can go off on another fishing trip and they may even choose his cattle to sell again. It would be dangerous business for them to strike in the same place twice, but on second thought, Jennings' cattle are the most valuable in the country, so they may take that chance. In the meantime, you talk a lot around town about your friend, Joe, who is coming to go into the cattle-raising business. The word will spread, and I'm sure the right ears will pick it up. And, don't forget to tip Joe off. I'll talk Jennings into going on another fishing trip, though I don't think I'll mention our plot. We'll keep it confidential."

Jim Wagner had no trouble spreading the word about Joe Wolf. A newcomer in the small community of Carriz was always news and everyone was very curious. Jim ran into Osborne, Jennings' manager, one day in the post office.

"Hi, there, Osborne," he greeted.

Osborne gave him a friendly bello, then Jim asked, "Haven't found our missing cattle yet, have you?"

"Fraid not," answered Osborne, looking gloomy. "I've given them up for lost."

"That's tough," said Jim, "particularly when there are two losers, Jennings and me. Usually there's only one—the cattle owner."

"Yep," answered Osborne. "It's a funny thing."

"Oh, by the way," continued Jim, "a friend of mine is coming from the east. He is buying a ranch around here somewhere. He wants to go into the cattle business, too. Should he here in a couple of weeks. Gee, I hope he doesn't get hooked the way I did."

"When did you say he was coming?" queried Osborne, while Jim wondered at his eagerness.

"I expect him in about two weeks. He's from Pittsburgh, tho. A fine guy, name's Joe Wolf, and a pretty tough guy, too," answered Jim.

The next time Sheriff Donnelly and Jim Wagner met was the day before they expected Joe Wolf to arrive in town.

"It's a funny thing," said the sheriff to Jim, "I suggested to Jennings that he looked tired and better head for the streams again and have another fishing trip. He said that Osborne had told him the same thing and that he was taking off today to be gone for a couple of weeks."

Joe Wolf arrived in town the following day. "Well," he said to Jim Wagner, "I don't know what I'm doing but I sure have spread the word. Every town we stopped in I told someone I was coming west, goin' into the cattle business near Carriz, and questioned all kinds of people if they knew where I could buy some good cattle."

"How did you make out?" questioned Jim.

"Seemed pretty successful. Most everyone I talked to bent over backwards in his eagerness to help me

out. I made special note of those who told me about Jennings' cattle. There were plenty of them all along the line—one in every saloon. That poor Jennings doesn't know what a ride he's being taken for!" answered Joe.

"And what kind of a deal did you make?" asked Jim.

"I agreed to go over to Jennings' ranch tomorrow, pay cash on the line for a herd of cattle," answered Joe.

"Sounds like the same story all over again," mused Jim. "Let's go talk to the sheriff. No, maybe you'd better not come. I'll tell him all about it."

Jim went into town and told Sheriff Donnelly what Joe had reported on his eventful trip to Carriz. The sheriff and Jim plotted their approach to tomorrow's swindle.

The next day Jim Wagner and Sheriff Donnelly stole onto Jennings' land and waited. During the time the cowboys were eating their mid-day dinner, the two managed to sneak up to the house and hide under the front porch. After all had wandered off to their respective jobs, Osborne and one of the cowboys remained on the porch.

"Okay, Mike," Osborne's voice said, "I'm going into town. Think I'll have a chat with the sheriff just to cinch things for us. You know the procedure. Good luck!"

The sheriff and Jim gave each other a knowing look and waited. Soon they heard a horse approaching. The rider dismounted and walked up onto the porch.

"Hello," they recognized the voice as Joe Wolf's. "You must be Mr. Jennings."

"That's tight," answered the voice that had belonged to Mike a few minutes before. "And, you must be Mr. Wolf. Shall we take a ride around the ranch before we talk business? You might like to take a look at some of these cattle."

"Fine," answered Joe, and the two rode off.

Before too long they returned and the sheriff and Jim heard Joe again: "Those are mighty fine cattle, Mr. Jennings, and I really think I'm getting a bargain."

"You are, Wolf, but I'm getting old and I want to see these cattle in good hands, and too, I need the cash," answered Mike, alias "Jennings."

At this strategic point in the conversation, Jim and the sheriff crept out from under the porch and covered the so-called "Jennings." They hauled him into town and locked him up. It was easy to apprehend Osborne who was eagerly trying to look innocent by spending the afternoon in a local saloon. That evening, the sheriff and his men went to Jennings' ranch to stop the remainder of the rustlers. As five of Jennings' trusted cow hands were preparing to drive the cattle from Jennings' ranch across the border they were caught, hauled in and confessed, revealing that after the phoney sale, the brand on the cattle was changed slightly, and then resold to unsuspecting Mexican cattle ranchers.

When Jennings returned from this fishing trip, he was amazed to find his ranch stripped of help, but overjoyed to find his missing cattle returned.

Sheriff Donnelly again lounged on his front porch and wondered why nothing exciting ever happened in this sleepy town of Carriz.

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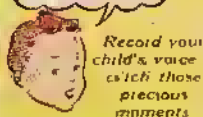
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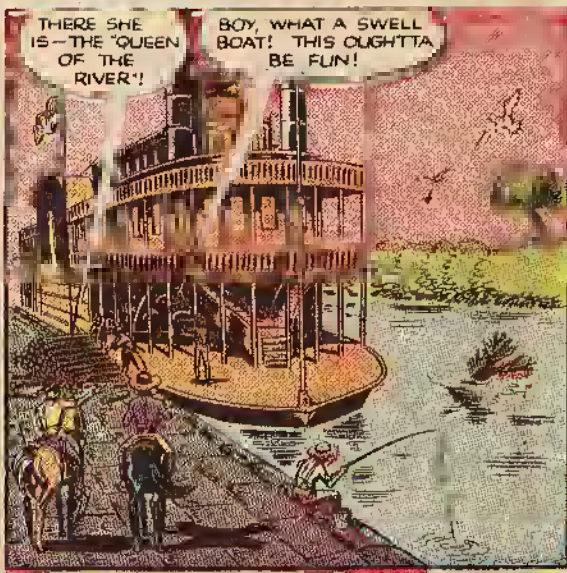
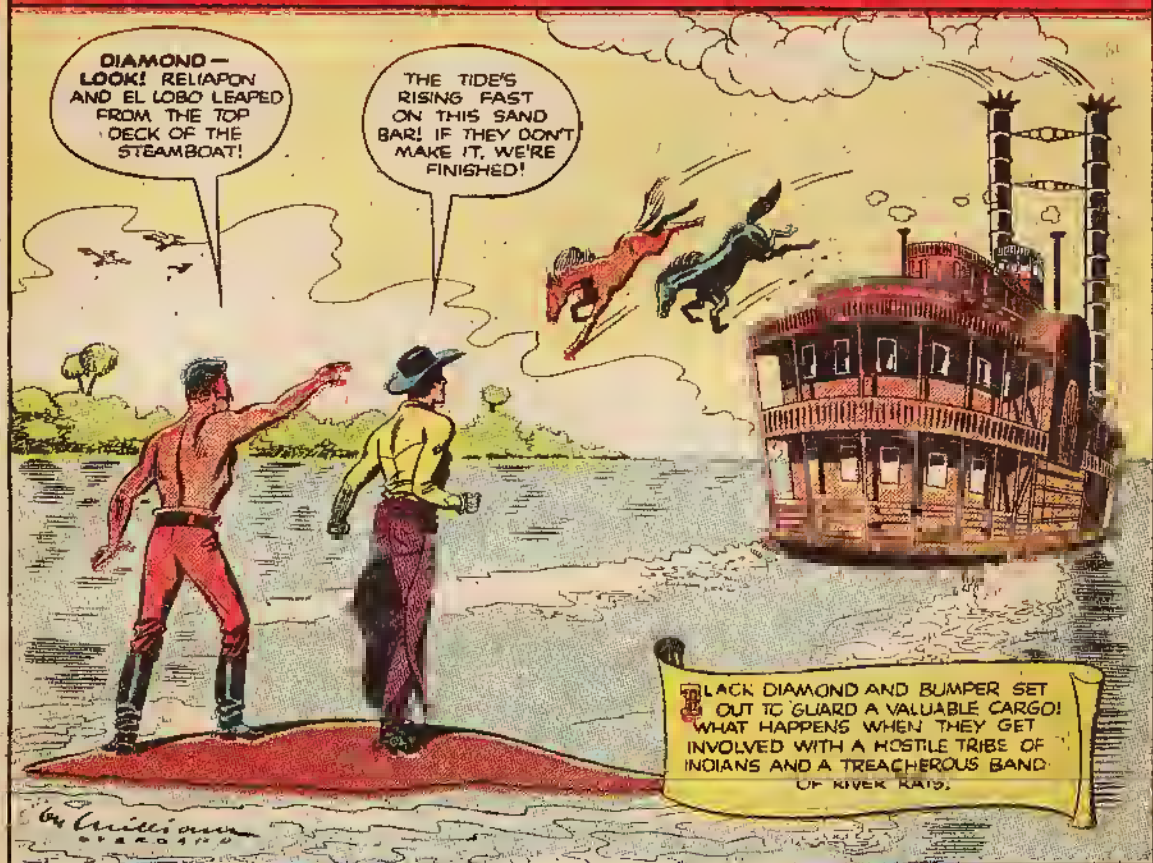
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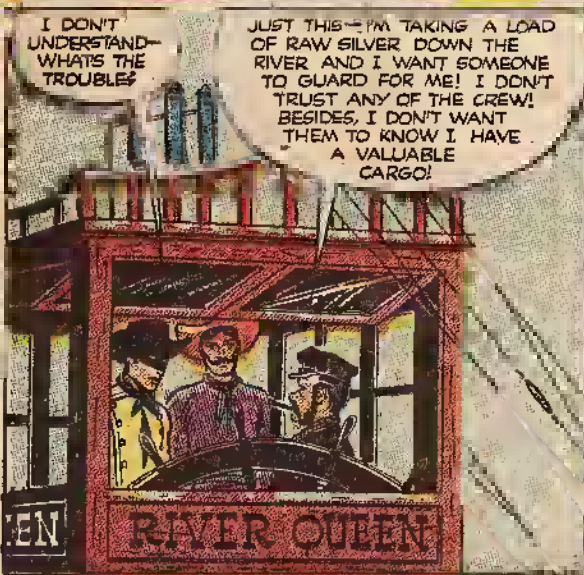
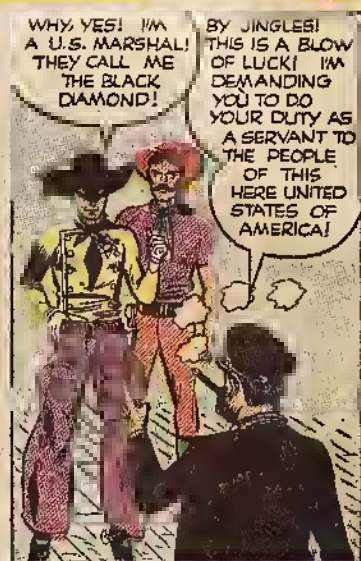
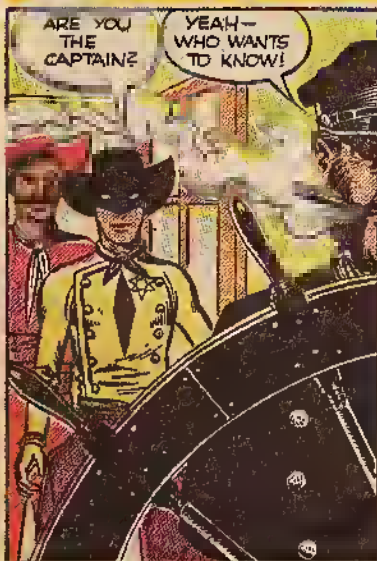
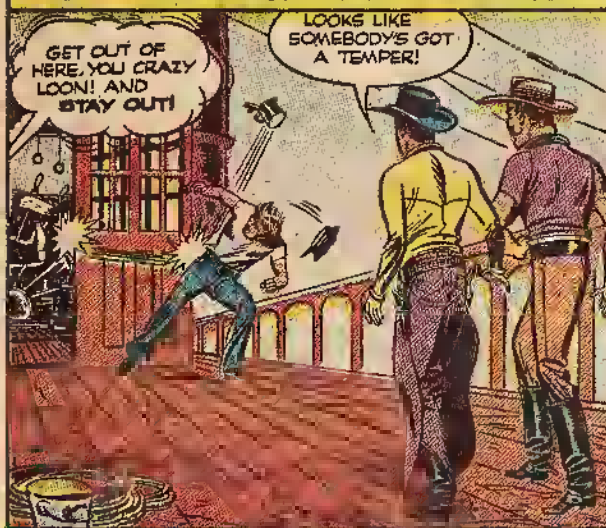
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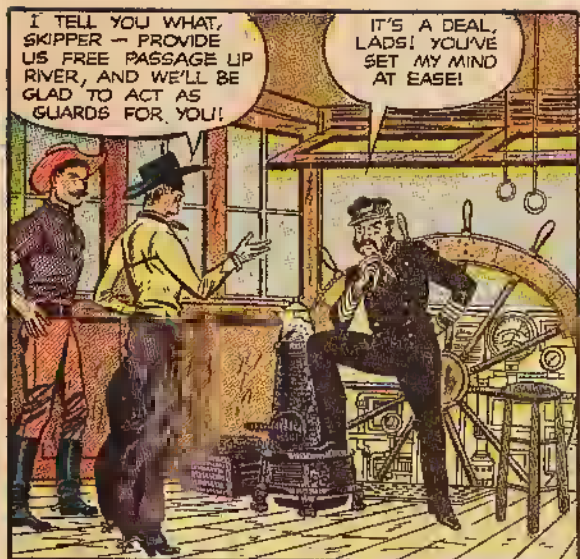




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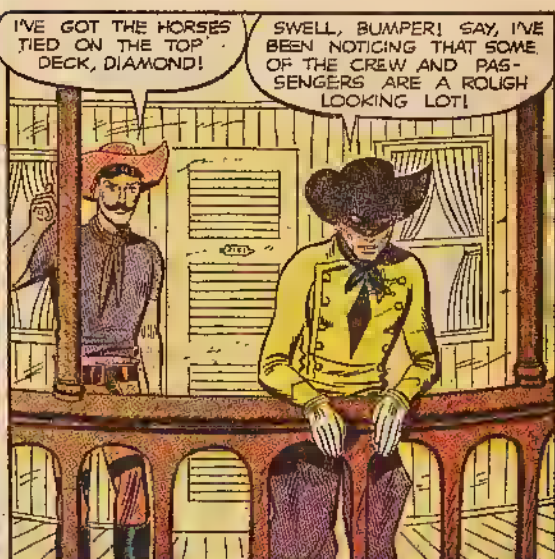






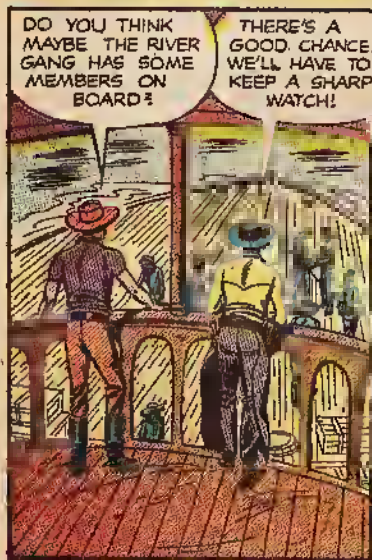
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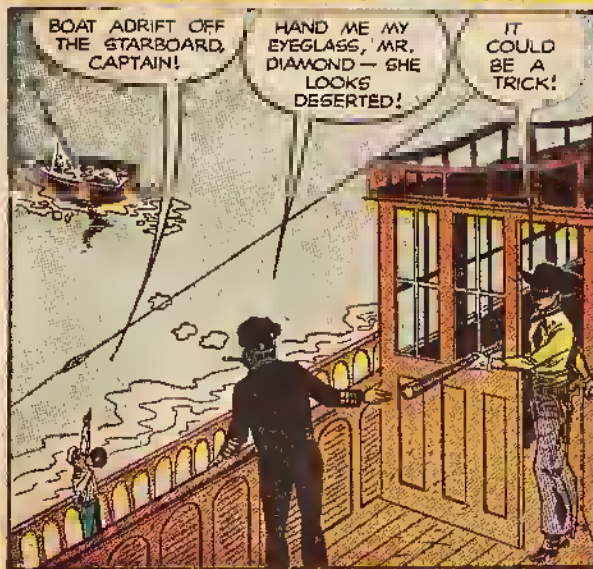
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BOAT ADRIFT OFF THE STARBOARD, CAPTAIN!

HAND ME MY EYEGGLASS, MR. DIAMOND—SHE LOOKS DESERTED!

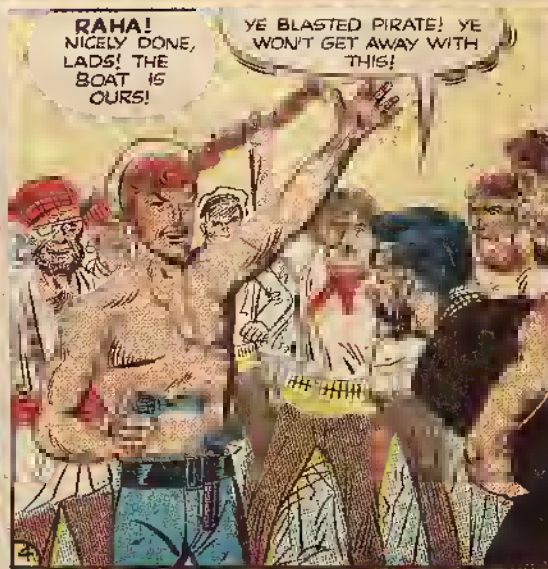
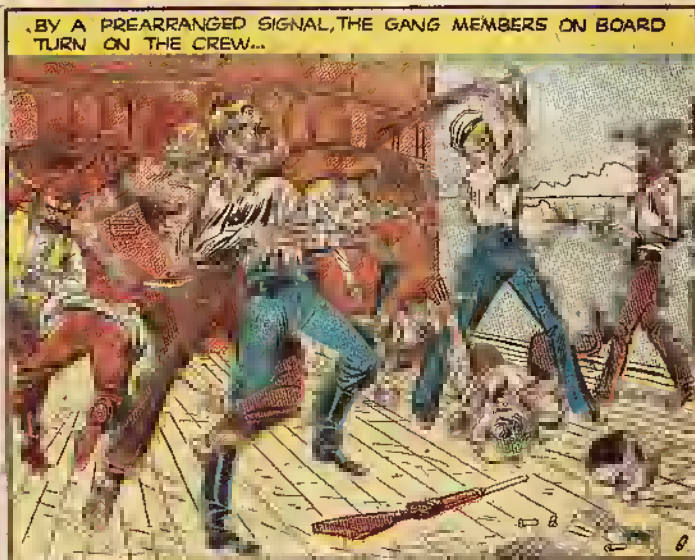
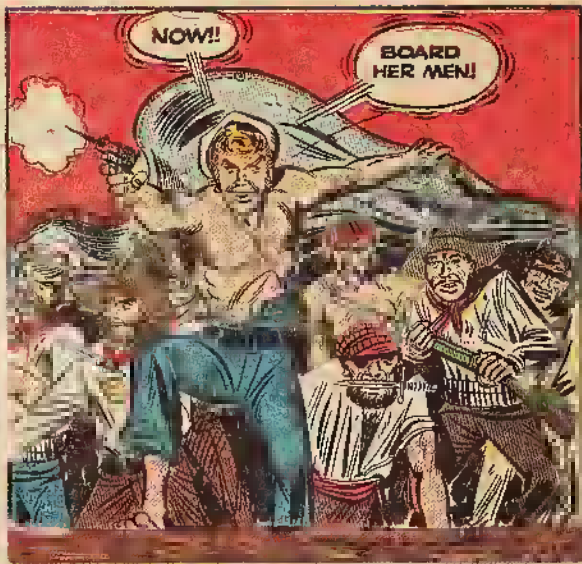
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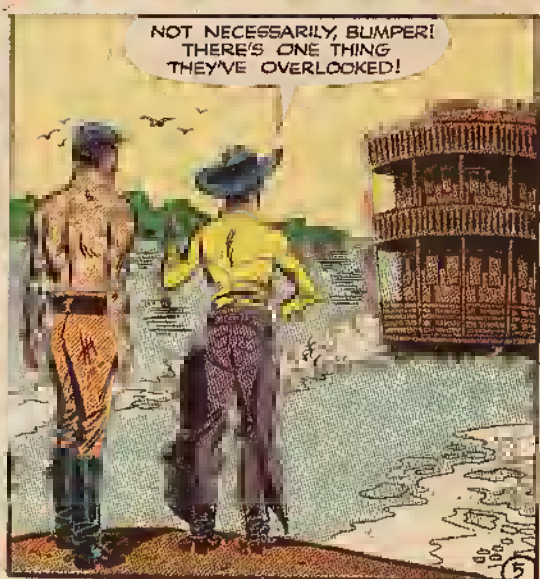
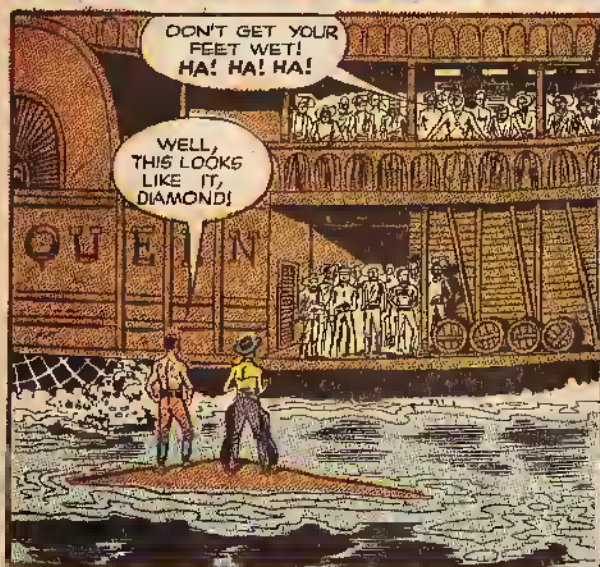
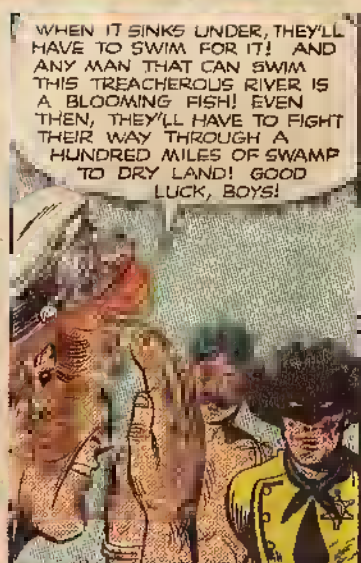
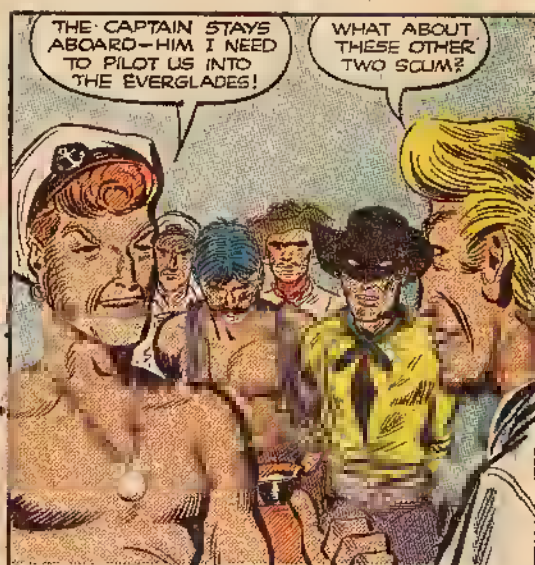
THERE'S MEN ABOARD HER—THEY LOOK DEAD! SAY—THERE'S INJUN ARROWS! SEMINOLES MUST HAVE JUMPED THEM!

THERE MIGHT BE SOMEONE ALIVE—WE'D BETTER PULL ALONG SIDE AND CHECK! STAND BY!

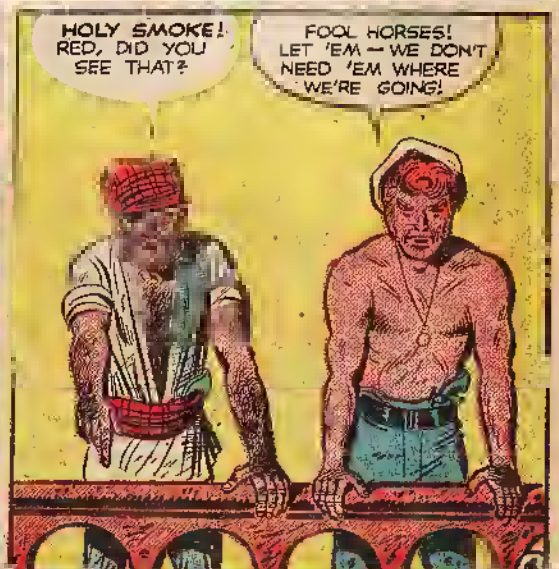
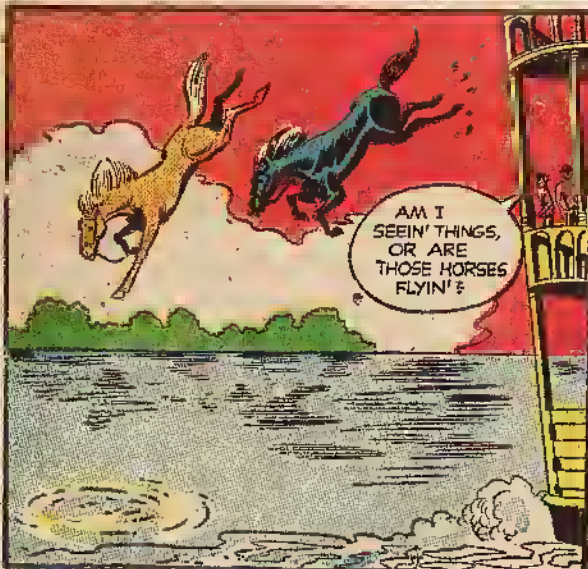
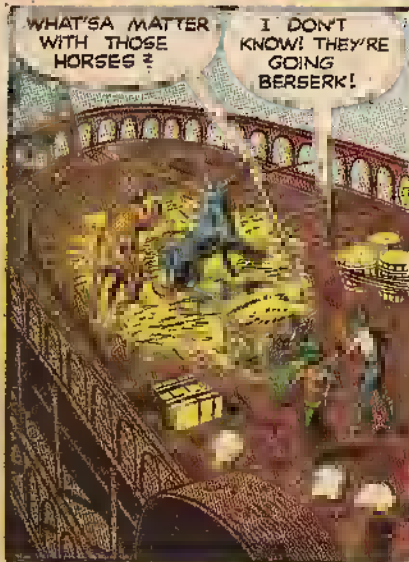
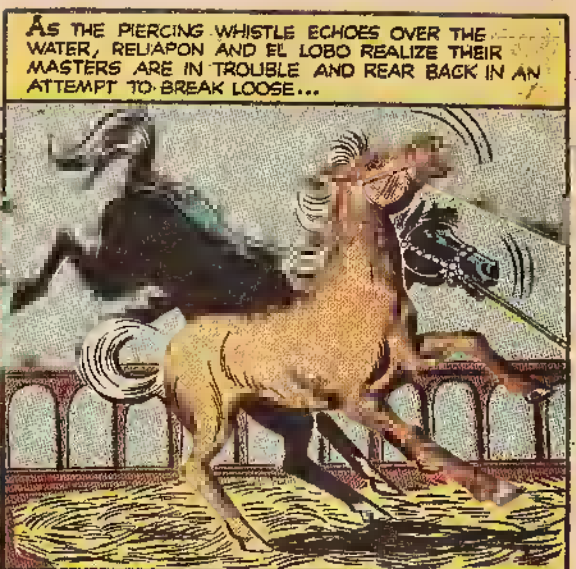




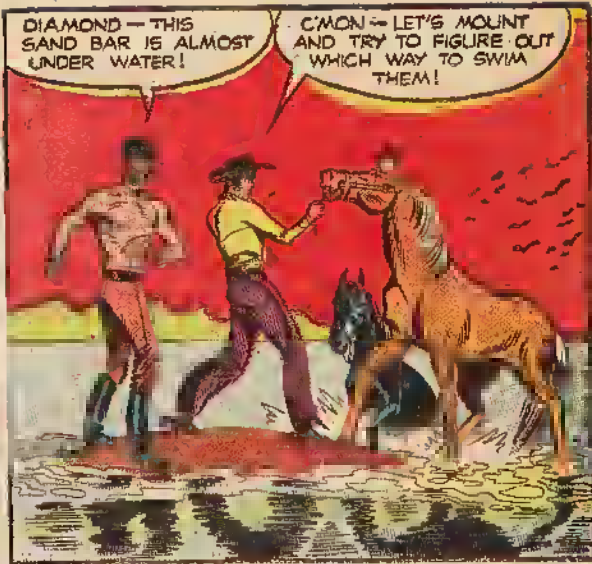








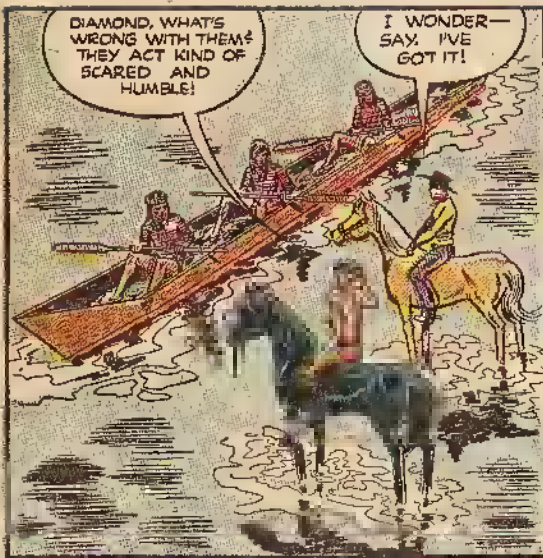




JUST THEN A BOAT LOAD OF INDIANS SWINGS AROUND THE BEND...



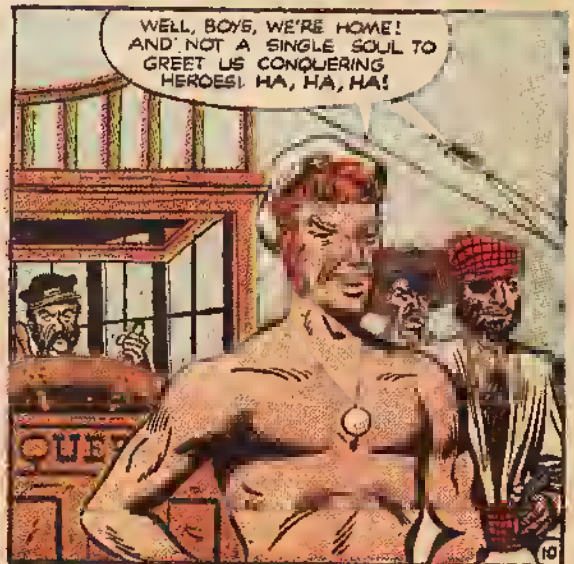
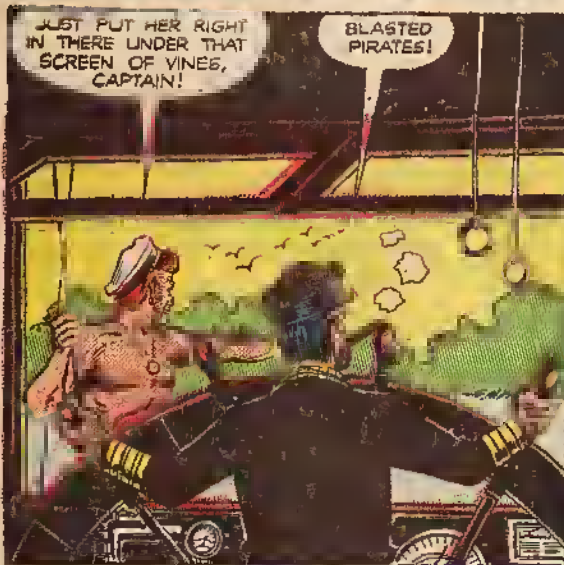




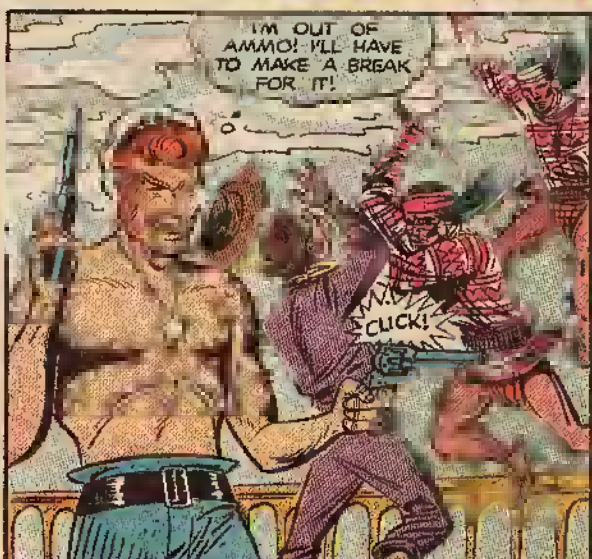




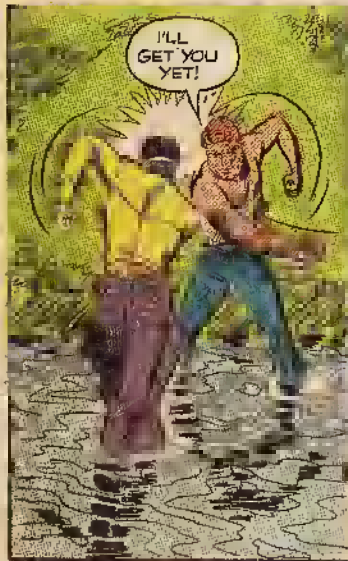


















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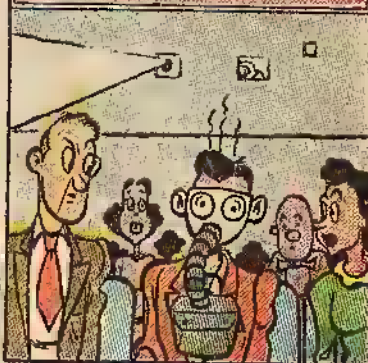
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(Optional at slight additional cost)

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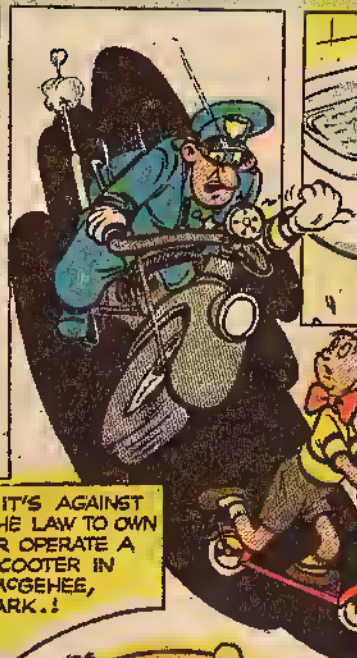
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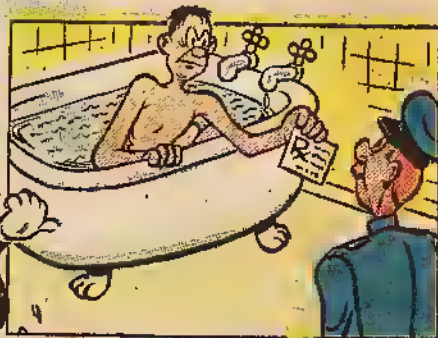
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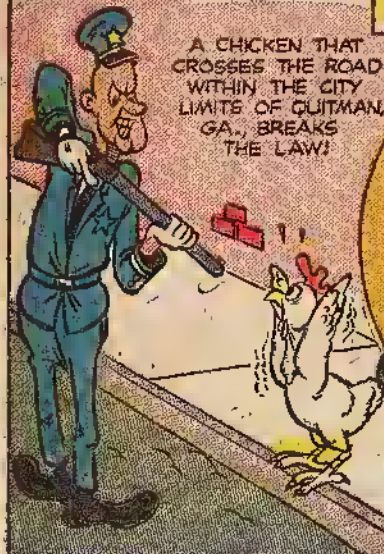
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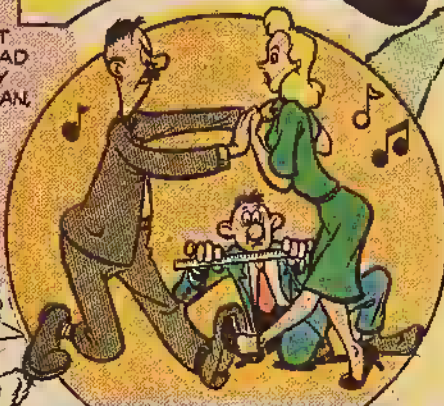
IT'S AGAINST THE LAW TO OWN OR OPERATE A SCOOTER IN MCGEEHEE, ARK.!



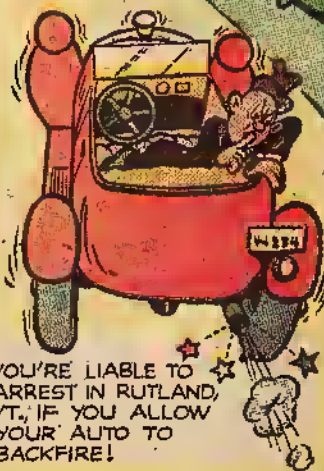
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A CHICKEN THAT CROSSES THE ROAD WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF GUITMAN, GA., BREAKS THE LAW!



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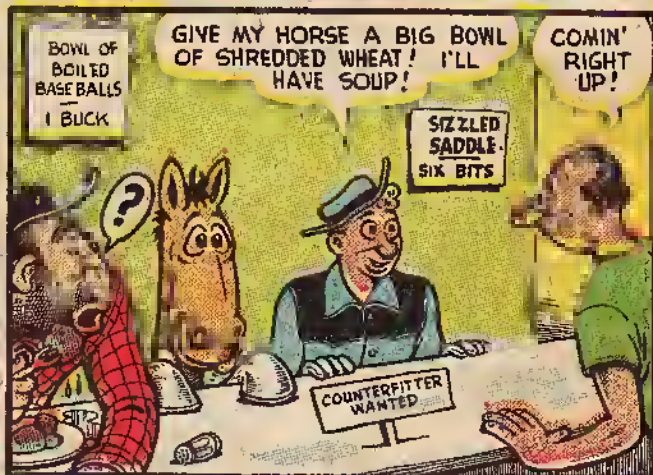


BOWL OF  
BOILED  
BASE BALLS  
1 BUCK

GIVE MY HORSE A BIG BOWL  
OF SHREDDED WHEAT! I'LL  
HAVE SOUP!

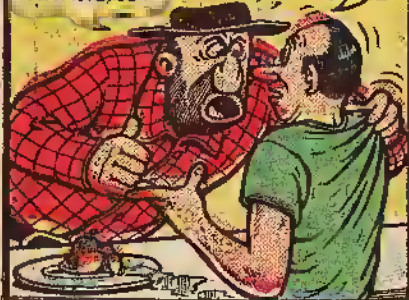
COMIN'  
RIGHT  
UP!

SIZZLED  
SADDLE-  
SIX BITS



HEY! I REFUSE TO  
EAT VITTLES AT  
THE SAME COUNTER  
WITH A NAG!  
HORSES AIN'T GOT  
NO TABLE  
MANNERS!

ER-SORRY,  
MISTER,  
BUT  
THERE'S  
ONLY ONE  
COUNTER!

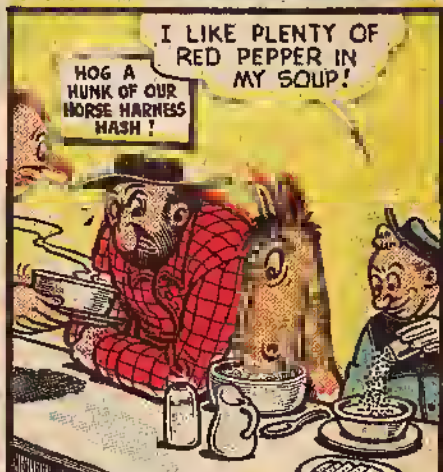


THEN I REFUSE TO  
PAY FER THIS MEAL!  
BRING ON ANOTHER  
ORDER OF EVERYTHING  
I'VE ALREADY ET,  
OR I'LL HAMMER  
THIS JOINT APART  
WITH MUH BARE  
MITTS!

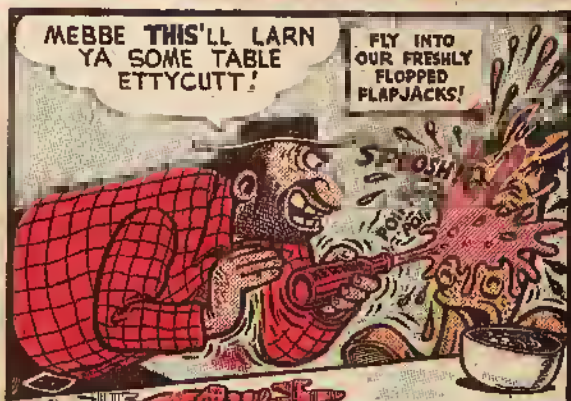
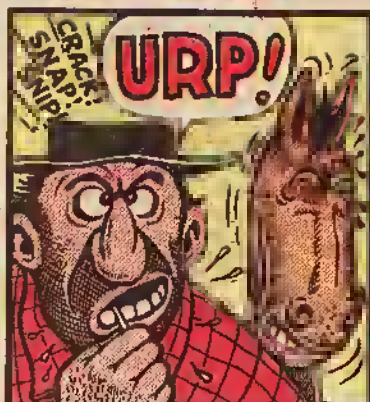
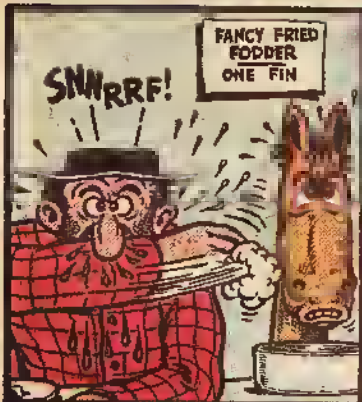
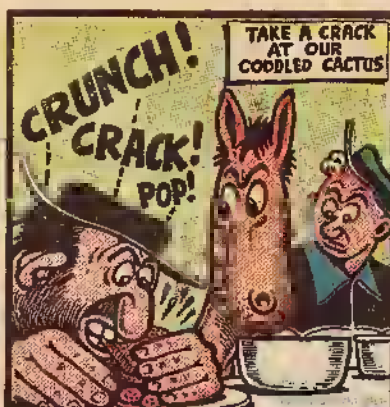
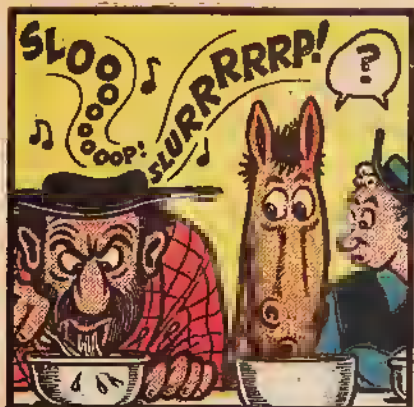


I LIKE PLENTY OF  
RED PEPPER IN  
MY SOUP!

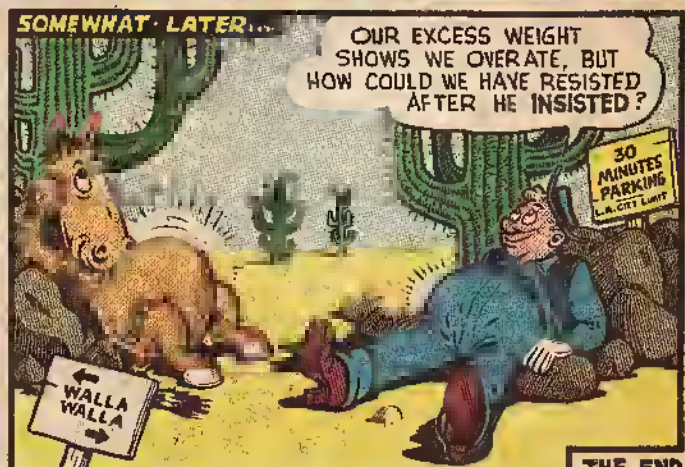
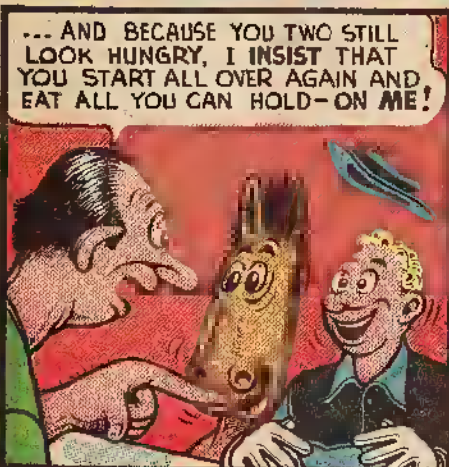
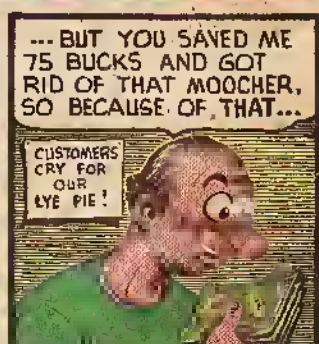
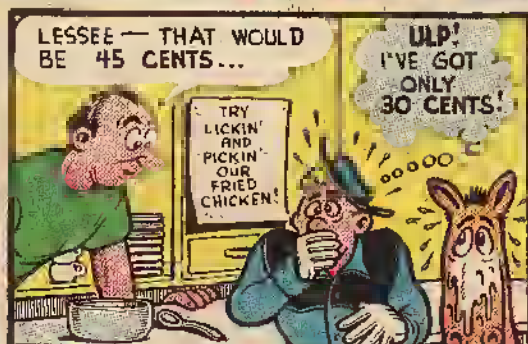
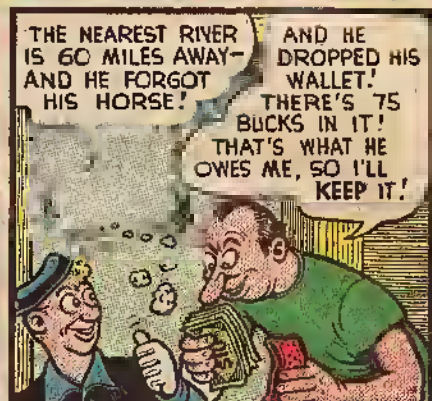
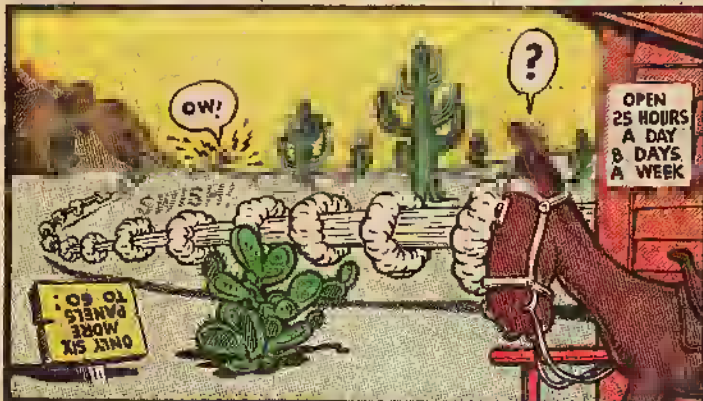
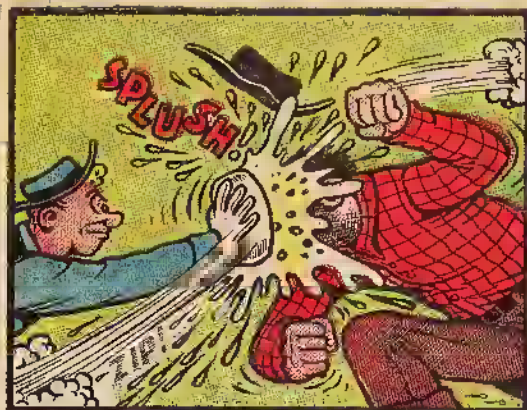
HOG A  
HUNK OF OUR  
HORSE HARNESS  
HASH!











THE END



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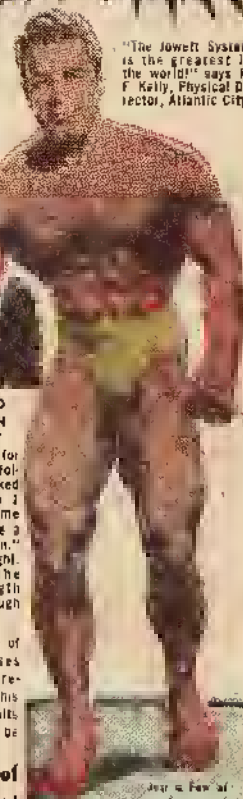
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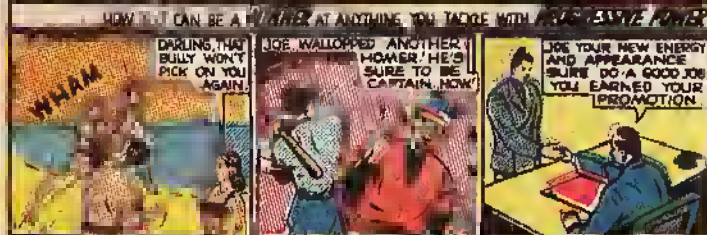


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HEY! GIVE ME A CHANCE!

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THIS IS FUN! LET ME PUT IN ANOTHER QUARTER

GOSH! THERE'S HOPALONG!

OH MY GOSH! I MADE \$8.62 ALREADY!

LOOK AT HIS SPENDING MONEY

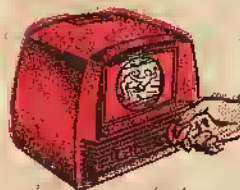
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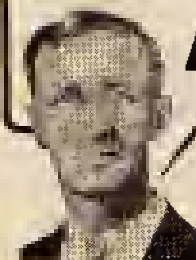


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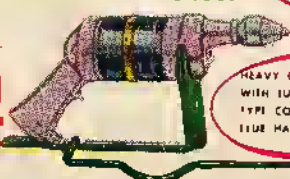
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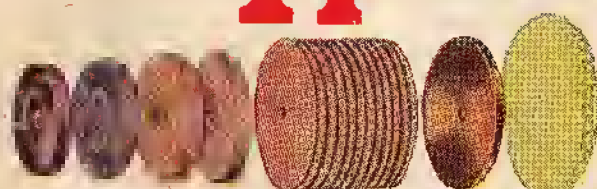
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